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Summary of Daily News.

FRIDAY, DEC. 15.

Reports, apparently reliable, that Stanley and Emir Pasha had been captured by the Mahdi.

Citizens of Indianapolis give public reception to Harrison and Morton.

A wild engine runs into a freight train at Belchertown, on the Massachusetts Central, severely injuring the conductor.

A dynamite bomb found under the ruins of the recently exploded oatmeal factory in Chicago.

Passenger train robbed on the Illinois Central, in Mississippi; one man killed, and the robbers escape.

White caps appear in Jamestown, N.Y.

Everett Block, in Hyde Park, burned; the Grand Army post, which was holding a fair in an upper hall, sustained a severe loss in the burning of loaned war and historical relics which cannot be replaced.

SATURDAY, DEC. 15.

Discovery of great smuggling conspiracy on northwestern borders; large seizures of opium in Minnesota and Michigan.

Regular and special trains full of refugees returning to Jacksonville.

Gas explosion destroys building on Mercantile Wharf, Boston, with loss of \$6,000.

Disastrous fire in printing establishments in St. Louis; a \$15,000 fire in a Springfield dry goods store; a steamer load of cotton and cotton-seed burned on the Yazoo River.

SUNDAY, DEC. 16.

250th celebration of First church, Dover, N.H.; historical discourse by Rev. Dr. Quint.

In Boston, Dr. Duryea preaches his farewell sermon at the Central Church; the pastors of Tremont Temple and Park Street churches preach on public affairs; Rev. Chas. A. Dickinson reviews the church work of the Berkeley Temple; the Young Men's Christian Union commemorates Forefathers' Day; Rev. C. F. Dole and Rabbi Solomon Schindler speak at Globe Theatre on Unitarianism and Judaism.

MONDAY, DEC. 17.

Collision of two locomotives near Concord, N.H.; one engineer killed, and another man badly injured.

Hard rain throughout Massachusetts and Connecticut; several railroad washouts.

A fearful conflict of the races in Mississippi; twelve whites and one hundred and fifty negroes killed; state troops summoned, and negroes flee to the swamps.

Mr. Whittier's eighty-first birthday pleasantly celebrated by many callers at Oak Knoll.

Secretary of War Endicott sends an order to Boston to widen the spans and draws of the Charlestown bridge; Mayor O'Brien says the alterations demanded will cost \$2,500,000 and thinks the demand arbitrary and unnecessary.

TUESDAY, DEC. 18.

Terrific blizzard in Montreal; six farmers lost on the St. Lawrence.

News from Hayti of the bombardment of Cape Hayti by the insurrectionists Dec. 5.

The colored citizens of Boston give John Boyle O'Reilly a reception, at which he reads his Crispus Attacks poem.

Memorial services to Gen. Sheridan in Tremont Temple, Mayor O'Brien presiding, and Gen. Francis A. Walker delivering eulogy.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 19.

Railroad bridge carried away at Hooksett, N. H.; eleven men at work on it, nine were carried over the falls, and three drowned.

Ice-jam in canal at Manchester, N. H.; work in mills partially stopped.

200 tons of Canadian poultry arrived in Boston.

\$25,000 fire in Pittsfield.

Essex Congregational Club celebrated Forefather's Day in Salem; address by Edward Everett Hale.

THURSDAY, DEC. 20.

Several boys drowned, in different places, while skating.

Town Hall in Winthrop, Me., burned, catching after the holding of a fair; other fires in Westerly, R. I., Hartford and Bristol, Ct.

Victory of British and Egyptian forces over the Suakim. Report of capture of Emin Pasha and Stanley not confirmed.

War ships Yantic and Galena not yet arrived at Port au Prince.

Both Senate and House to take a recess from Friday to Jan. 2.

Various News Items.

The United States Senate is hammering away on iron, steel, and copper, and other hard tariff questions, and says it will hold its sessions right through the holidays. The House had a lively debate on Civil Service Reform, and takes a recess from to-day till Jan. 7. It is now expected that the Democrats will agree to the admission of Dakota during the present Congress. The Gentiles of Utah of both parties strongly protest against the "Mormon Statehood scheme."

The citizens of Indianapolis gave a splendid reception last Friday night to Vice-President elect Morton, Gen. Harrison of course being present. Mr. and Mrs. Morton left for home on Saturday, but like good people did not travel on the Sabbath, stopping over at Buffalo. Rumors as to the State Secretaryship being tendered Mr. Blaine have been credited and discredited. With this has been connected a visit of Gen. Alger to Augusta, but, the latter says, without the least reason. Meantime, Gen. Harrison shows his good sense by his silence.

The rain-storm of Monday was a severe and destructive one, causing bad railroad washouts at various points. In Pennsylvania, the sudden rising of the Susquehanna and the Lackawanna, and the great force of the wind, wrought damage to the extent of hundreds of thousands of dollars. In the vicinity of Montreal the storm took the form and dimensions of a first-class Dakota (or New Haven) blizzard, striking the city Monday night and raging for fifteen hours. The wind blew at the rate of 70 miles per hour, snow-drifts made the streets impassable, and telegraph, telephone, and electric service failed. It is feared that many lives were lost. Six farmers, with members of their families—twelve in all—with sled-loads of produce were coming to Montreal on the St. Lawrence, when the ice broke up and they were all lost, the darkness of the night and force of the blizzard preventing any response to their faintly heard cries of distress. The farmers are all right—they got ashore away down the River.

Towns Around Us.

Boxford.—Frank and Edward Killam are rightly named, for they are reported as having recently shot 110 muskrats on two successive days.

MARBLEHEAD.—At a special town meeting on Monday evening, a sensational speech was made against the inefficiency and expensiveness of the police force, and the appropriation of \$2,000 asked by the Selectmen was refused. On the next day, the Board of Selectmen suspended the police from pay, and they all resigned. The street lights were also ordered to be discontinued.

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ORIGINAL
COMMUNICATIONS.Note from Ex-Principal Clark on Andover
Schools.

To the Editor of the Townsman:

I notice in a recent issue of the TOWNSMAN an article signed "Argand" in regard to the efficiency of the Andover Schools. The interest I feel in Punched is my only excuse for wishing to add a word two in confirmation of the statements made in the article.

A serious defect is the shortness of the school course. In my report as Principal of the Punched Free School for the year 1886-7, I stated: "The general scholarship of the school does not compare favorably with that of the majority of high schools. The prime cause of this trouble lies in the fact that pupils have not been properly prepared for admission." Again in my report for the year 1887-8, after alluding to the unsatisfactory preparation of pupils, I stated that "all pupils who were recommended by their teachers in the lower schools as qualified to enter Punched passed the examination, together with some not so recommended."

The fact that, notwithstanding the leniency of the entrance examination, not more than forty or fifty per cent. of the graduates of the Grammar School pass the examination for admission to Punched—which certainly does not require more than the average New England school—shows that another year is most urgently needed in the Grammar School course. The course is at present one year shorter than the course in most towns. The fact that about fifty per cent. of the graduates of the Grammar school are not qualified to do high school work results in the serious disadvantage both of Punched and of the pupils. Many leave school who might otherwise go on.

The course of study at present is in a very chaotic condition, each teacher advancing as far as her individual judgment decides to be best. The tendency is, of course, for teachers to go over a large amount of work at the expense of thoroughness. The result is that the classes of the same year reach different points in the different schools, and when brought together in the Grammar school or in Punched the material is of such a heterogeneous character that it needs a thorough sifting. This difficulty could in large measure be remedied by a well defined course of study, carefully carried out under the direction of some one who could devote his whole time to the school work.

As "Argand" well says, the best of teachers cannot accomplish good results unless they work together under some definite plan. If a man wishes to build a house he does not hire his carpenters, painters, bricklayers, and diggers, and say to them, "Here are bricks, lumber and paint, build me a house." He first decides on a plan for the work, and entrusts the execution of that plan to some one who is to have the direction of the whole work, and is to be held responsible for its execution. I fully agree with "Argand" that Andover has many admirable teachers, a larger proportion of good teachers, perhaps, than will be found in most towns, but it is absurd to expect good results from any teachers who are set at work with no definite plan and without systematic direction.

The schools of Andover ought to be among the best in the state, as few towns are so fortunate as to be relieved from the support of a High school. By a well graded course of study, pupils should be trained so that graduation from the Grammar school will be synonymous with admission to Punched, and I have no doubt but that the authorities of Punched will be glad to admit on Grammar school certificates when they feel that the Grammar school gives an adequate preparation for High school studies. Such an improvement in the lower schools will result in good to all concerned.

CHARLES H. CLARK.
Kingston, N. H., Dec. 15, 1888.

The season is now at hand when girls and women are planning fancy work for Christmas gifts. While it is desirable to make our homes as attractive as possible, do not waste time or money on articles that a little use or exposure to the light will render worthless.

AULD LANG-SYNE.

Old Andover Records.

No. 10.

BIRTHS. 1682-1683.

1682.

Jan. 7. Jonathan, ye son of Joseph & Mary Marble.
Feb. 3. Mary, ye daughter of Timothy & Rebeckah Johnson.
Feb. 12. Nathan, ye son of George & Dorcas Abbott.
Feb. 14. Elizabeth, ye daughter of Samuel and Susannah Preston.
Feb. 19. Sarah, ye daughter of Christopher and Hannah Osgood.
Feb. 23. John, ye son of Joseph and Sarah Willson.
Feb. 27. Joseph, ye son of Joseph & Elizabeth Parker. (168 1-2)
March 16. Abigail, ye daughter of Stephen & Elizabeth Johnson. (168 1-2)
March 22. Hezekiah, ye son of Joseph & Elizabeth Ballard.
March 28. John, ye son of Benjamin & Mary frie.
May 17. Martha, ye daughter of John & Martha Graunger.
May 28. Hannah, ye daughter of Ephraim & Hannah foster.
June 15. ffregrace, ye son of Samuel and Rebeckah Marble.
June 20. Joseph, ye son of Joseph & Mary Steeuens.
July 17. Joseph, ye son of William & Bridgett Chandler.
July 21. Phebe, ye daughter of Joseph & Phebe Robinson.
Aug. 3. Hugh, ye son of Hugh and Hannah Stoue.
Aug. 6. Ephraim, ye son of Jno. & Sarah Abbott. (1)
Aug. 17. Stephen, ye son of Stephen & Mary Parker.
Oct. 1. Elizabeth, ye daughter of Andrew and Elizabeth Allen.
Oct. 14. John, ye son of Robert & Mary Russell.
Oct. 16. Sarah, ye daughter of Samuel and Sarah Phelps.
Nov. 31. Nathaniel, ye son of Stephen & Rebeckah Barnard.
Dec. 16. John, ye son of John & Rebeckah Ballard.
Dec. 23. Samuel, ye son of Abraham and Anna Graues.
Dec. 23. James, ye son of James & Lydia frie.
Dec. 29. Abigail, ye daughter of Thomas and Elizabeth farnum.
Dec. 30. Susannah, ye daughter of William and Sarah Johnson.

1683.

Jan. 3. Samuel, ye son of Abraham & Anne Graues.
Jan. 19. Sarah, ye daughter of Daniell & Hannah Bigsbie.
Jan. 25. Timothy, ye son of James & Hannah Holt.
Feb. 8. Judeth, ye daughter of Thomas & Susannah Osgood. (2)
March 1. Josiah, ye son of Thomas & Susannah Osgood. (168 2-3) (2)
March 8. Jonathan, ye son of Moses and Prudence Tyler. (168 2-3)
March 21. Hannah, ye daughter of William & Hannah Ballard.
April 1. Zebediah, ye son of John & Hannah Chandler.
April 12. Hannah, ye daughter of Samuel & Mary frie.
April 20. Phebe, ye daughter of John & Rebeckah Russ.
April 22. Francis, ye son of Francis and Hannah Deane.
April 29. Elizabeth, ye daughter of William and Elizabeth Abbott.
May 7. Samuel, ye son of Samuel & Sarah Ingalls.
May 8. Laurence, ye son of Laurence & Mary Lacy.
June 5. Elizabeth, ye daughter of John and Mary Bridges.
June 8. Hester, ye daughter of Abraham & Hester foster.
June 20. Stephen, ye son of William & Mary Barker.
June 28. John, ye son of John & Hannah Osgood.
July 5. Hester, ye daughter of Benjamin & Mary frie.
July 27. Benjamin, ye son of Joshua and Elizabeth Woodman.
Aug. 6. Ebenezer, ye son of John & Esther Steeuens.
Aug. 7. Elizabeth, ye daughter of Ephraim & Sarah Steeuens.

Aug. 12. Abigail, ye daughter of Francis and Abigail falkner.
Oct. 28. Stephen, ye son of Stephen & Mary Parker.
Oct. 29. Josiah, ye son of Thomas & Mary Johnson.
Nov. 27. Henery, ye son of William & Mary Louejoy.
Dec. 1. John, ye son of John & Martha Graunger.
Dec. 21. Nicholas, ye son of Nicholas & Mary Holt.
Dec. 28. James, ye son of Hope & Mary Tyler.
Dec. 28. Josiah, ye son of William & Sarah Chandler.

MARRIAGES. 1682-1683.

1682.

March 9. Edward Phelps to Ruth Andrews, by Mr. Browne. (3)
April 20. William Ballard to Hannah Hooper.
April 21. Richard Barker to Hannah Kemball by Capt. Saltonstall.
May 29. Samuel Phelps to Sarah Chandler.
June 4. Samuel Ingalls to Sarah Henrick.
June 19. William Abbott to Elizabeth Geery. (4)
Sept. 14. John Tyler to Hannah Parker by Mr. Browne.
Oct. 19. John falkner to Sarah Abbott.
Dec. 28. William Chandler to Sarah Buckmaster, by Mr. Holt.

1683.

April 25. Daniell Elmes to Lydia Wheeler, by Mr. Woodman.
DEATHS. 1683.
Jan. 9. Jack, Negro ye seruant of Capt. Dudley Bradstreet.
May 6. Josiah, son of Thomas & Susannah Osgood.
May 7. Henery, ye son of Ralph & Elizabeth farnum.
Aug. 26. Elizabeth, ye wife of Thomas farnum.
Sept. 12. Susannah, ye wife of Jno. Johnson.
Oct. 27. Francis, ye son of Francis & Hannah Deane.
Dec. 4. Martha, ye daughter of George and Dorcas Abbott.

NOTES.

(1) The tribe of Ephraim seems to have settled mostly in New Hampshire, and may be traced in Amherst, Goffstown, Hollis, Peterboro, Chester, and other towns.
(2) One of these dates is incorrect. Josiah was probably born March 1, 1682, as this entry occurs among others of that year. The recorder evidently intended to write 168 1-2.
(3) "Mr. Browne" may be the one alluded to a little later in the Records, in similar connection, as "Capt. Browne of Redding."
(4) The Abbot Genealogy gives William's wife as Elizabeth Gray. The same authority says that William Abbot—this was son of "Old George"—"lived near Prof. Stuart's house"; does any one remember tradition of such a house?

Soldiers' Christmas in 1861.

1861 seems long enough ago to come under the head of *Auld lang-syne*, and we reprint from a copy of the old *Andover Advertiser* (Jan. 11, 1862), an account both in prose and poetry of the Christmas dinner of the Andover boys in Company H of the 14 Mass. The initials of the poet, "S. B.," must stand for Stephen Burris, who was—either then or afterwards—corporal and sergeant of the company, and who had been proof-reader of Mr. Draper's printing-house on the Hill. Another initial letter in the musician's name identifies him with Moses B. Abbott. Will some one give us Capt. Holt's and Sergeant Burris's address, so that we can send them their descriptions of the war-time Christmas dinner? No doubt some of our resident readers will recall packing and unpacking of that box.

FORT ALBANY, Va., Dec. 27, '61.

Messrs Editors:—Allow me, through your interesting sheet, to acknowledge the receipt of four large boxes from Andover—freight bill paid. One of the boxes contains comfortable bedding, socks, and mittens, and the other three were well filled with turkeys, chickens, pies, cakes, cranberry sauce, and all the "fixins,"—all cooked, and in splendid condition.

Now I wish to express, in a feeble manner, in behalf of Co. H, 14th Mass. Reg't, our sincere thanks to all who contributed to the filling of those boxes; for I am sure could they have looked in upon

us at about one o'clock on Christmas day, they would have been well paid; for a happier gathering I never witnessed.

As luck would have it, we had just finished laying the floor of one of our log cabins (which are being built for our winter quarters), which made a fine room for the tables. At half-past twelve o'clock it was announced that all was ready. Accordingly the company "fell in" in our company street in front of the tents, and was thoroughly inspected; for it was a question in my mind whether they would all stand the seige, as we have all been a little "shaky" with the ague; but I am happy to state that therewere but three on the sick list just at that time. We marched in perfect order to the barracks, and "went in" by a flank movement. Closed in with our fowl antagonist I thought our boys did remarkably well, considering this was our first engagement since we entered the service. I must acknowledge the assistance of our highly-esteemed friend and officer, Lieut. Col. Oliver, whose presence the company thought necessary to the full enjoyment of the occasion, as he gave us our first lessons in the art of war, at Andover. Moses Abbot, well-known (musician in the 18th Mass. Reg't), was also present, attired in his new French uniform. Several other friends, from other regiments, also participated with us. We regretted very much the absence of our worthy Chaplain, Rev. Mr. Barker; owing to a previous engagement in Washington, he could not be with us. I delegated as Chaplain for the occasion, Private Milton Townsend, who invoked "the Giver of every good and perfect gift" upon the bounties bestowed upon us, in a very becoming manner. Everything passed off most happily; but we did not finish the destruction among the poultry till the next day.

I will close by expressing the hope that all Andover enjoyed a Christmas as "Merry" as did the Andover Company of the 14th Mass. Reg't. Yours,
HORACE HOLT,
Capt. Co. H, 14 Mass. Reg't.

"The Dinner to our Soldiers."

Dear friends: your kind present came safe o'er the road,
And reached, in good order, our humble abode,
Where to-day, in our cabin, built under a hill,
'Twas attacked by the boys with a hearty good will.
The tables were set, in a style far from grand,
With tin plates and dippers, all ready at hand;
And the cabin being small for so numerous a crowd,
Standing rules were adopted and no seats allowed.
But, though humble the cabin, the tables though rude,
One thing was not wanting—abundance of food;
And such savory food! O ye junk-eaters! say,
How the turkeys were relished on Christmas Day.
How chickens and pies were dispatched with a zest,
And ever the last one was voted the best;
While a feeling of pleasure pervaded each heart,
That the loved ones at home, who saw us depart
To defend the old flag, to each patriot dear,
Though absent in body, in spirit were here.
With bread patriarchal, and good-humored face,
Our Captain, the head of the table did grace;
On his left, at the other, with stern martial air,
Our Lieutenant-Colonel, as a guest, took the chair;
(But that was not perfect, for in truth it did lack
What Jeff Davis wants just at present—a back.)
A blessing being asked, then the battle began,
And each one stood up to the work like a man;
Whole battalions of turkeys were cut up straight-ways
And regiments of chickens laid low in the fray,
And though fair was the fight, there was fearful foul play!
Pies and tarts were led on by the men in command,
But these, like the former were unable to stand
The charge of the victors, and soon had to yield,
And in double-quick time disappeared from the field.
Now apples and nuts, the reserve, were brought on;
Alas! in their beauty and pride they are gone!
And naught now remains of the goodly array
That was heaped on our table this Christmas Day,
Save shattered remains of turkeys and chickens,
Cake, butter, cheese, pies—from which some good pickings
We shall have, I opine, ere the year sixty-one
Shall have finished the course he is destined to run.
The feast being concluded, "Speech! speech!" was the word,
But this was a failure—at least so I've heard!
Which proves that mere "spouting" has little attraction
For Company H, all brave men of action!
Many thanks for your present, kind friends, let us give;
May your lives all be happy, and long may you live;
"Merry Christmas" we've spent through your bountiful cheer;
God bless you, and grant you a "Happy New Year."
S. B.
Camp of the 14th Mass. Reg't, Ft. Albany, Va.,
Christmas Day, 1861.

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CHILDREN'S CIRCLE.

A Cat Lost at Sea.

Noticing that the TOWNSMAN advertises for incidents illustrating the sagacity of animals, I am reminded to tell a cat story which has come to me in a curious way within the last twenty-four hours. It interested me exceedingly on account of the romantic adventure connected with it. The cat was on board a ship which was wrecked far out at sea. The only other animal saved was a man. He made a raft and escaped from the wreck upon it. The cat bore him company.

After drifting for some time, they came near a small group of islands, on which after a great deal of difficulty they landed. It was inhabited by a people who lived in a strange way in their island home. The man who was the hero of the adventure wrote down a careful account of what he saw and what they told him during the two days he remained there, which he related to me. He stayed only two days, for the storm had then subsided, and he was anxious to proceed on his voyage homeward. But how could this be done, when he had no compass?

Here comes the sagacity part of the story. The cat became the pilot. A line was fastened to the raft and to the cat, and the latter jumped bravely overboard, and swam ahead of the rude craft, acting thus both as pilot and as tug. The traveller described the scene to me so vividly that I could see the heroic quadruped swimming with all fours, sturdily breasting the mighty billows, heading straight for the American continent, leagues and leagues away. How did the animal know the direction to the distant country which he had left years before and from which he had come by an entirely different route? How could he ever find the way across the trackless ocean? Would his strength hold out to finish the long voyage? While I was waiting with breathless interest for an answer to these questions, and, as it were, watching the devoted animal towing his master over the great waves, while the latter standing on the raft cheered him on—suddenly, I awoke, and behold it was a dream!

Now, Mr. Editor, I do not propose to take the prize away from the children—for firstly, I am too old to come within the conditions of the offer; secondly, it had nothing to do with Andover; and thirdly, it was not true—although I really and truly dreamed it last night. But if it had been true, would it not have been a remarkable instance of animal intelligence, sagacity, and affection? If my dream could only have lasted a little while longer, I might have learned the geography of the story. If the ship was wrecked, as I think, in the South Pacific, and the man and the cat had drifted around Cape Horn, is it not probable that the island where they landed was the one which Columbus discovered and called San Salvador, but from this incident called *Cat Island*? And as their raft was evidently the *catamaran* of the Pacific islands, was it not probably so named from its connection with this remarkable tale of a cat?

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HOUSE AND HOME.

Christmas Gifts.

Many persons, at Christmas time, are perplexed with such thoughts as these: "How can I give presents to all my friends, though I would like to? They will think I am mean, if I do not remember them."

Could we read their hearts the day after Christmas, we should be more grieved than surprised to read there: "I'm glad another Christmas is gone! I sha'n't have to make any more presents for a year at least!"

It is no exaggeration to say that thousands of good people in this land have forgotten how to give. Christmas presents represent to them a matter of exchange. To another class, who have loving hearts, but slender purses, the thought of Christmas brings embarrassment and envy. Is their not something wrong in that idea of Christmas time which expresses itself in a conversation like this?

"Mother, what on earth can I get for the Delaneys this year? You know they will be sure to send us something this year as they did last."

"I'm sure I don't know. You might give the two girls those vases we saw in the city yesterday."

"Indeed I won't! I mean to get those vases for Aunt Carroll and Cousin Fanny. But" (with a sigh), "we must get them something, I suppose."

"Yes, I suppose we must. What a bother, isn't it?"—*Youth's Companion.*

Chips and Clips.

A family at Norwich, Ct., found a diamond ring stowed away in the interior of their Thanksgiving turkey.—*Exchange.*

Mayor O'Brien ought to have received that bird as an offset to the one he bought inclosing a request for a gold watch from a Vermont girl—which he kindly honored at sight. Is this a new device to stimulate the holiday trade? "A diamond ring inclosed with every turkey!" Let all housewives be on the lookout for Christmas souvenirs from the marketmen.

A curious story comes from West Virginia of a young lady finding on her dress what she supposed to be a part of her breastpin, but which proved a real, live bug, resembling "a drop of molten gold." Perhaps some other young ladies who receive jewelry about these days will find that "All is not gold that glitters," and that some of it is a—humbug.

A man in Shelburne Falls, says the *Greenfield Gazette*, has just brought home from Iowa a souvenir from his friends there in the shape of a pocket gopher, an exceedingly destructive little pest. If he should let the creature escape from his pocket, his neighbors would be likely to go for him.

Gifts to an Invalid.

A little thing that has long made a bright spot in one sick room is a tiny bunch of flowers in a small vial, fastened to an invisible tack in the headboard of the bedstead, just over the invalid's pillow. The vial is suspended from the tack by means of a thread tied round its neck. The flowers conceal the thread and the tack and not seldom hide the vial also. The little bouquet is so very small that it may be renewed, day by day, from the window plants.

A window-box outside the window of a sick room is another little thing that gives much pleasure to an invalid. Even if unable to leave her bed, she may, if strong enough, have the bed rolled close to the open window and with her own hands gather the blossoms for her pillow bouquet. If too feeble for this she will yet find pleasure in watching the plants as they grow and bloom.

An invalid who is so fortunate as to be able to write while in a recumbent position will find a home made writing board a great convenience. Take a board eight inches wide and eighteen inches long and cover it with white cotton flannel. This can be propped at any desired angle, and lying on her left side, with the paper on the upper end of the writing board, she will find its lower end—the lower half of its length—a restful support for her arm and hand.

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SUNDAY NEWS AND NOTES.

SPECIAL OFFER

To Subscribers of Andover Townsman.

Our Andover subscribers have received specimen copies of the ESSEX WEEKLY EAGLE, sent them at our request and for a special purpose. The TOWNSMAN was started, as our readers know, in order to give to Andover people—and others interested in Andover—a clean, good local paper, devoted largely to home news and the interests of our own town. In this—our patrons being judges—we believe we have been fairly successful. But as some of our subscribers desire more *Lawrence* news than we have space print to—and more than all would care for—we have made an arrangement with the proprietors of the LAWRENCE EAGLE to furnish copies of their weekly journal, by which we can make this

Special Offer.

To our old subscribers, the Weekly Eagle will be sent for 50 cents additional.

To new subscribers we will send the TOWNSMAN and the EAGLE from the present time to the close of 1889, for \$2.50.

The Eagle will be sent by mail directly from Lawrence, but subscriptions and payments (in advance) should be sent to the office of the Townsman.

As the price of the Eagle is 150 a year, our readers will appreciate the advantage they will gain by taking both papers. We are glad to say in addition that the Eagle is clean, ably edited, independent in politics, and will furnish our readers with a full and thorough report of Lawrence news.

We request that those who desire to avail themselves of this offer will in-

form us at once, so that we can perfect our arrangement with the Eagle. We hope that all those interested in the success of our enterprise of building up a good Andover newspaper will respond to this new plan. We will forward specimen copies of both papers on application.

In addition to the above we are enabled by arrangement with the publishers of the *Atlantic Monthly*, to offer that magazine—the subscription price of which is \$4 a year—for \$3.50 to the subscribers of the TOWNSMAN. To new subscribers of the TOWNSMAN, we will furnish our paper and the *Atlantic* for \$5.

On our inside pages, ex-Principal Clark of the Punctured School has something to say about Andover school matters, an account of the Christmas dinner of Andover boys in 1861 at Fort Albany is reproduced, extracts are given from Mr. Grady's Southern speech, and brief suggestions noted as to Christmas gifts.

We have a note from a boy too late for insertion in the Children's column, wishing us to communicate to Santa Claus his Christmas wants, viz., a "sled, a rocking-horse, a picture-book, and a jumping-jack." His requisition is so modest and withal such a universal expression of human needs (skates only omitted), that we print it here, omitting the signature in the hope that many parental parties will fill the order.

If we should venture—with our holiday greetings—a single word of suggestion in the purchase of holiday gifts, it would be to select something appropriate, useful, helpful. Give the boy his sled and jumping-jack—they are appropriate and useful—but for grown-up children, "put away childish things." A lamp, a clock, a book, an engraving, a sewing-machine, a warm garment—something that will increase the comfort, cultivate the taste, or promote the convenience of the recipient—is far better than gilded gewgaws or tinsel trinkets. Before you go out of town, take a turn through our own home stores and shops, and see if you cannot find just what you want, a little cheaper than in Boston, and with less risk of being torn to pieces by the fearful crowds.

ANDOVER NEWS.

The Old South clock has not struck, but all its hands stopped work two or three days ago.

The local damage by the Tuesday's storm was considerable, the necessary repairs costing perhaps \$200. The principal wash-outs were on Summer St., Phillips St., in the Cape district, in Scotland District, and on the Ballardvale road. Many houses were seriously incommoded by water in the cellar.

Miss Mabel F. Smith has taken the position of principal at the high school in Wrentham.

The wooden walk leading to the Memorial Hall Library, thoroughly worn by the feet of thousands of persons weighted with wisdom, is being replaced by a new one. Hardy and Cole are doing the work.

The Christian Endeavor Union of Andover held its annual meeting at the South Church Tuesday evening, having a sociable, a devotional service, and the election of officers. The latter resulted as follows: President, J. Newton Cole; vice-presidents, the presidents of the four Andover societies; secretary, Mrs. L. A. Wilson; treasurer, W. A. Trow.

Judge David Cross of Manchester, N. H., spent last Sabbath in town, having a son in the Seminary.

There will be a Sunday-school Festival and Christmas tree in Christ church parish, on Monday, Christmas tree, beginning with service in the church at 6 p. m.; supper for the children in the Parish Building at 6.30; appearance of Santa Claus and distribution of gifts at 7.

At 10.30 A. M. on Christmas Day, there will be service in Christ church, consisting of Morning Prayer, Sermon, and Holy Communion.

The evening drawing school will meet in the Parish House of the Episcopal church on Thursday evenings. All who wish to enter are requested to be present next Thursday at seven o'clock.

About thirty persons from Andover attended the Congregational Club at Lowell on Monday evening. In honor of Forefathers' Day, the addresses by Dr. Dana of Lowell, Rev. J. L. Hill of Medford, and Dr. McKenzie of Cambridge, were all upon the principles and faith of the Pilgrims. Dr. Selah Merrill closed on the same evening his course of lectures in Lowell, which has been a very successful one.

Punctured Fair.

The Punctured Fair, which was briefly noticed last week as occurring on Thursday evening, was a success in every way. The principal attraction was the fancy table, which was loaded down with fancy articles of every sort. A short entertainment began at 8 o'clock, which was much enjoyed. This was the programme: 1. Tableau, Studying Astronomy, John V. Holt and Guy W. Gilbert; 2. Indian Songs and Tableau, Helen E. Chandler; 3. Tableau, Faith, Lilla Abbott; 4. Piano Solo, Chapel on the Mountain, Clara E. Moody; 5. Tableau, Japanese Costume, A. Josephine Beard; 6. Piano Duet, Eva and Lilla Abbott; Dusters' Drill, thirteen young ladies.

The articles remaining unsold were disposed of at auction by Geo. S. Cole. The total receipts were about \$170, of which amount nearly \$135 will be profits. It has not been decided yet by the class in what way to appropriate the proceeds.

Farmers' Club.

For some reason or other, the Farmers' Club is not a great success so far as audiences are concerned. Last night the moon shone brightly, the travelling was good, the subject was a practical one, and the appointed speakers men of authority upon the topic—but after waiting half an hour, just twelve men gathered besides the janitor, and not all of them were farmers. Vice-president Saunders presided. The subject was the cultivation of small fruits, and Messrs. Daniel Cummings and Piddington were the principal speakers. The former had tried 32 kinds of grapes, but thought the Concord the preferable one for this locality. He would prune off down to the first two or three buds, rather than let the vine spread over much ground. He advised against digging deep holes for the vines—the manure at the bottom will draw away the roots so much farther from the sun.

Mr. Piddington favored pruning in the fall, regular pruning in the spring being death to the vine. He would go through the vines two or three times in the season; if they are well pinched, the grapes will ripen better. Grapes should be readily preserved till Christmas, but in picking them it is important not to touch the grapes with the hand; they should be kept in the shed or barn till quite cold weather. As to strawberries, the thing to be studied is how to prolong the season by getting the earliest and latest varieties. He urged the most generous amount of dressing, far more than is usually thought sufficient. For protection in the fall, he considered pine needles, if accessible, the best.

Mr. Sheldon was opposed to the last suggestion, arguing that the needles brought worms. He advised against laying out any labor on strawberries after the first year—it would make the crop expensive. Mr. Cummings, however, thought that Andover soil was so old and so full of weeds, one could never raise anything without labor. Mr. Saunders added a few words about the raising of strawberries in his native Scotland.

Home Circle.

Officers of Shawshin Council, No. 113, were chosen on Monday as follows: Leader, Geo. A. Parker; vice-leader, W. B. Morse, instructor, M. E. Wilbur; P. L., F. B. Jenkins; secretary, F. G. Chandler; financier, J. A. Frazer; treasurer, Ed. S. Gould; warden, Frank P. Higgins; sentinel, F. C. Wilbur; representative to Grand Council, Geo. A. Parker; alternative, F. B. Jenkins.

Royal Arcanum.

The Andover Council of the Royal Arcanum elected their officers for the ensuing year, last Friday evening, as follows: Chas. W. Clarke, Regent; Barnett Rogers, Vice Regent; Henry A. Hill, Sec.; George H. Thwing, Treas.; George Piddington, Orator; George A. Parker, Past Regent; John F. Morse, Collector; J. Warren Berry, Chaplain; George E. Holt, Guide; William B. Cheever, Warden; James Hull, Sentry; Representative to Grand Council, Geo. A. Parker; Alternate, H. A. Hill. The officers will be installed on Friday evening, Jan. 11, in the new hall above Messrs. Rea & Abbott's store.

A Card of Thanks.

The Senior Class of the Punctured School desire to express their gratitude for help received on the occasion of their Fair, Tuesday evening, December 13.

The Public Schools will close for the Christmas vacation, on Friday afternoon, Dec. 21, and begin again on Wednesday, Dec. 31.

E. FRANCIS HOLT.

Miss Annie B. Flint, teacher at the grammar school, has been kept from school the past two weeks by a quite severe illness.

Quiet reigns in Andover. The Abbot Academy girls left on Tuesday, the Phillips Academy boys on Thursday, and the Theological Seminary men today. The public schools also close to-day for a brief holiday recess.

The usual Christmas service was held in the hall of Abbot Academy on Saturday evening, Dec. 15. After this service which was carried on by the young ladies, they were addressed by Rev. Dr. Judson Smith of the American Board of Foreign Missions.

The *Philo Mirror* issued the first number of its thirty-sixth volume in time for all the Phillips boys to buy copies to take home, with their names in it and perhaps some recognition in prose or poetry or picture of their achievements. The opening piece is a valuable sketch of Samuel Phillips, followed by articles and illustration, some of which no doubt would have startled or puzzled that venerable Founder of the School. As a whole the issue reflects great credit on the wisdom and skill of the managers—a statement which may be ambiguous, as the "President's address" says that "the average editor is a profound liar!"

The *Abbot Courant* is dated January, 1889, but like the *Mirror* noticed above was issued before the close of the term, like the *Mirror* is printed by the Andover Press, and, like the *Mirror*, is an honor, (no ambiguity this time) to the Academy and the editors. The *Courant* contains the valuable papers on Rubens and Van Dyck read at the last Commencement, an article on the Academy Grounds (in which the "small boy" who drives "the barge" is immortalized), another on the Academy of '94, and a sketch of Principal Asa Farwell. The personals refer to a statement in the TOWNSMAN, that Miss Fannie Bell Pettee, class of '82, is in the *Sandwich Islands*; we said that she was in *Jamaica*—does that belong to the Hawaiian group?

The election of "Philo" officers, scarcely less in importance and interest to that of President, came off on Wednesday, with the following result: President, Cartwright of Ohio; Vice Pres., Dickerman of Foxboro; Sec., Atha of Lowell; Treas., Wheeler of Tenn.; editors of *Mirror*, Moore of Andover, Frissell of New York, Duley of Andover. The school chose for managers of the Base Ball: Donald Churchill, J. L. Emerson, Jos. Parsons.

Rev. William Gardiner, who graduated from Phillips Academy in 1879, has been appointed as the first American missionary to Corea, and sails in January from San Francisco.

Prof. Wm. B. Graves returned from his European tour on Monday, having landed at New York the day before, after a rough passage of eight days on the *Etruria*. He has been away five months and a half, visited Great Britain, France, Belgium, Germany, Switzerland and Italy, had a "walk over" the Alps, and returns much benefited in health.

There were three fires in town on Saturday last, all of them fortunately extinguished before getting under much headway. One was in Miss Caroline Goldsmith's greenhouse in Scotland District, catching from the heating apparatus and doing considerable damage to the stock, which was not insured. At Hartwell B. Abbott's, the sitting-room got on fire while the family were at dinner, presumably from sparks from an open grate. It had burned through the floor, and was running up the walls, when discovered. The room was damaged perhaps \$75—insured in Merrimack Mutual. The third fire was in Augustus Remmes's house (the Parnell place) where the wood-work in a chamber caught from an open fire. The damage was small—insured in the Merrimack Mutual.

The two following items were crowded out last week.

The alumnae of Bradford Academy held a reunion at the Revere House, Boston, on Wednesday evening. Dr. Twombly of Charlestown was toastmaster, Miss Johnson responded for the Faculty, Dr. Geo. Cogswell for the history of the Academy, Rev. Dr. E. K. Alden for the Trustees, Hon. Geo. A. Marden for the husbands, and Mrs. Augustus Berry of Pelham, N. H., for the alumnae. Prof. Downs led the company in a closing song, written for the occasion by Mrs. Downs.

The Harvard University students who fitted for college at Andover had a dinner at the Parker House Monday evening. Plates were laid for 38. James H. Ropes presided. Principal Bancroft and Prof. Comstock represented the Academy, and S. E. Farwell and J. D. Upton the members of the Senior Class who are to enter Harvard.

Elm House Register.

Dec. 6-13: F. J. Kenney, John T. Chalk, Jas. E. Scanlon, Lawrence; M. W. Hill, Providence; G. F. Cary, E. R. Fuller, W. C. Freeman; Wm. Lynch, Boston; John Shaw, Haverhill; W. H. Dragan, Joe Burnham, Cambridgeport; C. H. Paul, So. Newmarket; C. N. Adams, Pittsfield; A. C. Ackley, Haverhill; N. M. Marshall, Boston; Wm. H. Thompson, Salem; W. C. Bockes, New York.

Dec. 13-20: John Lambert, N. M. Marshall, John Welch, Geo. V. Jones, Horace Smith, John Sullivan, Geo. Williams, Chas. Smith, H. F. Ballou, Percy M. Herrick, Boston; Geo. Clark and wife, Horace J. nes, Geo. C. Day, New York; Clarence Wilson, F. S. Baker, Providence; J. A. Reed, Frank Hasey, C. A. Osborn, Lowell; W. L. Benson, Frankfort, Ky.; Miss Leander Gifford, Miss Flora Pratt, Taunton; Mr. Danforth, Cambridge.

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| 15, Saturday. | 13 | 29 | clear |
| 16, Sunday. | 33 | 49 | clear |
| 17, Monday. | 54 | 49 | rain |
| 18, Tuesday. | 33 | 22 | snow |
| 19, Wednesday. | 20 | 13 | clear |
| 20, Thursday. | 11 | 14 | clear |

West Parish.

The Seamen's Friend Society of the West Parish had a pleasant meeting at Edward W. Boutwell's last evening.

Frye Village.

Mr. John L. Morrison of Merrimac was visiting here last Friday, returning home on Saturday.

At the regular meeting of the Andover Council No. 65, Royal Arcanum, last Friday evening, notice was given of the death of Mr. Joel Barnes (formerly of this village) in Somerville where he has been residing for the last seven years. Funeral services were held on Saturday at his house there, and at Methuen where he was buried. Rev. Clark Carter offering prayer at the grave. Brothers John W. Bell, Henry A. Hill, and Thomas David represented the Council at the funeral. This is the third member of the above Council who has died since its formation. The deceased was also a member of the United Order of the Golden Cross and of the Good Fellows. All the orders sent their different floral designs, and also the church (Prospect Hill) of which he was a member. He left a widow and two daughters. Dea. Barnes was one of the founders and first officers of the South church at Lawrence. His age was 53 years.

Mr. R. A. Woods of the Seminary conducted the services in the hall last Sunday evening speaking from Eph. 4:13.

Mr. John H. Colquhoun who has been confined to the house for over two weeks was able to resume his duties in Boston, Monday.

Owing to the storm Monday the village schools had only one session, the children getting home at one o'clock for the remainder of the day. They will close to-day (Friday) for the Christmas holidays.

Frye Village temperature—taken at 6 A. M.

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| Dec. 14, Friday. | 6° | clear |
| 15, Saturday. | 10 | clear |
| 16, Sunday. | 30 | clear |
| 17, Monday. | 53 | rain |
| 18, Tuesday. | 36 | rain, snow |
| 19, Wednesday. | 23 | clear |
| 20, Thursday. | 14 | fair |

The river on Tuesday and Wednesday rose to a great height, and in the afternoon the bleaching department of the Smith & Dove Mfg Co. had to shut down; also some of the machinery in the woolen mills at Marland Village had to be stopped on account of the high water.

Skating was enjoyed by a large number last Friday and Saturday.

All Agree.

People from all sections of New England all agree that the finest display of holiday goods' furnishings in the state of Massachusetts is at Bicknell Bros'. The goods are truly magnificent, and the artistic taste displayed in arranging them reflects credit on the decorator. The picture is a wilderness of art, and is made up of "the beautiful and useful."

A Safe Investment.

Is one which is guaranteed to bring you satisfactory results, or in case of failure a return of purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised Druggist a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief in every case, when used for any affection of Throat, Lungs or Chest, such as Consumption, Inflammation of the Lungs, Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Croup, etc., etc. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe, and can always be depended upon. Trial bottles free at all Drugstores.

NORTH ANDOVER.

Mr. A. W. Crockett has returned from Amherst College to spend the holidays.

A special sermon for Christmas will be preached at the Methodist church Sunday morning by Rev. Elias Hodge. Christmas tree and supper for the members and friends of the Sunday school, Tuesday evening.

Rev. Mr. Walker will conduct special service at Saint Paul's church Christmas morning, celebrating Holy Communion at 7.30 o'clock, prayer, Holy Communion, and sermon at 10.30 o'clock. Wednesday, St. Stephen's Day, Holy Communion at 9.30 o'clock. Thursday, St. John's Day, Holy Communion at 9.30 o'clock. Friday, Festival of the Holy Innocents, Holy Communion at 9.30 o'clock.

Capt. Reeves with about 40 members of Co. L attended the fair of Co. K, at Salem, last Friday evening.

Rev. H. H. Leavitt will deliver a Christmas sermon next Sunday morning. Concert in the evening at 6.45 o'clock.

Co. L has accepted the invitation of Co. F of Haverhill, to be present one night during the coming fair at that place. Lieut. Weil, Lieut. Warren, and Corporal Fernald were appointed the committee on transportation.

Mr. E. J. Kelley's store on Water St. has been let for auction rooms to Mr. John E. Berry of Lowell. Sales every evening at 7 o'clock consisting of hardware, cutlery, etc.

About 40 of the Horse Railroad Company's horses are laid by with a spinal disease, and the cars are running only every half hour as formerly.

People should not forget that the store of our enterprising grocers, T. A. Holt and Co., at the Centre, variety stores of Mr. Watson and Co. on Pleasant St., and A. P. Cheeny at the "corner" have each received a new stock of goods and are now ready to supply the demands of their customers at the lowest prices.

At the Congregational church, Sunday, Dec. 23, the chorus will sing:

To us is born in Bethlehem, Praetorius
Selections from Psalms. Plain Chant.
Brightest and best of the Sons of the Morning.
Dudley Buck
He shall come down like rain. N. H. Allen
Hark! What mean those holy voices. A. S. Sullivan

Dr. C. P. Morrill received, Monday, the appointment of District Deputy Grand Master of the 40th Masonic District of Mass. from Grand Master Henry C. Endicott, of Cambridge. The district includes the following Lodges: St. Matthew's, Andover; Grecian, Tuscan, and Phoenician, Lawrence; Sagadahew and Merrimack of Haverhill; John Hancock, Methuen, and Cochichewick of North Andover.

One of the workmen at the Maverick Oil Co.'s Works was struck on the head with a hammer, Monday, which fell a distance of about 25 feet from a staging. He sustained a severe scalp wound, and was attended by Dr. F. E. Weil.

Those attending the Congregational Club in Lowell, Monday evening from town were, Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Leavitt, Hon. and Mrs. N. P. Frye, Mr. Joseph H. Stone and Miss Alice Godfrey.

The recent storm has caused many bad, and in some cases very dangerous washouts on some of our streets at the centre, and in the parish also.

Teachers' Meeting.

The secretary's report was read and accepted at the teacher's meeting, Monday afternoon. Miss Henrietta Hatch read an epitome of educational news from the different journals. From the question box were taken the following: Is there any objection to reversing the direction to draw oblique lines from top to bottom? The tendency of the scholars seemed to be to draw from the bottom to the top; which was explained by the fact that they did so in writing, but the decision was that the direction in the book had better be followed.

Which are more profitable, frequent short lessons or fewer long lessons? This depended upon the age, the interest they manifested in the lesson, and what the subject was, but a lesson should not take less than twenty minutes.

Would it be better for youngest children to draw on slates or paper? Some said paper, because the children could not erase without the teacher knowing it.

How long a time should be spent on teaching straight lines? Not long on them as such, but take up the application as soon as possible.

What should be done with pupils who are inclined to work ahead of classmates? Let them go ahead as fast as possible in some

way, drawing on the board from models, etc.

Is there any danger of giving too much prominence to drawing? There is, particularly if the teacher has an inclination toward that study. Mr. Kinley gave some instruction concerning perspective drawing, parallel lines converging as they recede from view, as do the tracks of a railroad, and he also brought out the difference between a working drawing and a picture drawing. Mr. Bailey will be present at the next meeting, Jan. 11.

Mr. Kinley's Lecture.

The last lecture in the course was given Friday evening by Mr. David Kinley on "Electric Motors and Electric Lights." The course, as a whole, has not prospered financially, although large audiences have been present at every lecture. The last one must have occasioned the lecturer considerable expense and trouble. The larger steam engine used was loaned by Mr. Ed. Adams, and the smaller by Mr. Geo. L. Wright; the drawings were executed by Mr. Kinley and the High School pupils. A charcoal sketch was furnished by Miss Francis H. McDonnell of the Senior class, and drawings of the Edison burner and the English burner were made by Arthur P. Chickering; Hereford Berry, who assisted Mr. Kinley in his experiments, drew the armatures. The hall was not lighted by electricity as expected, but will be at some future time, although it had been brilliantly lighted about two hours previous to the beginning of the lecture, by several of the Edison lights. The powerful current proved too much for the lamps, and the breaking of one lamp increased the power so much on those remaining that in a short time all were extinguished, and the dynamo rendered useless for the time. However a current of no little power was produced from a ten-celled battery, also from a small dynamo, with which the lecture proceeded.

Grace May Sanborn.

Miss Grace May, the elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Sanborn, died at her home on Third St., Sunday evening about 6 o'clock, of consumption. She was born in Manchester, N. H., but the greater portion of her life was spent in town. She was one of the original members of the Young People's Literary and Social Society, in which she took an active part, and by her ready wit and cheerful influence won the marked esteem of the members. She entered the J. H. S. in '79, but her delicate health obliged her to discontinue study, and while here as elsewhere her ladylike manners made her a pleasant companion, and won many friends who deeply regret her early death. Funeral services were held at her late home, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. H. H. Leavitt of whose church she was a member. The form of the loved one was enclosed in a costly casket covered with white embossed velvet, and trimmed with smilax and white pinks. A quartette, Misses Saunders and Prince and Messrs. McLean and Robinson, sang the following hymns, "Abide with Me," "Asleep in Jesus," and "Jerusalem." The services were largely attended by the young people with whom she was a favorite. The floral offerings were very beautiful, consisting of "Gates Ajar" from the family, broken wreath and sickle with the letters Y. P. M. L. and S. S.; harp with broken chord from the Congregational church choir, of which she was a member; anchor from the teachers of the Merrimack and Bradstreet schools; basket of lilies of the valley, Mrs. H. W. Field; basket of cut flowers from Sabbath School; bouquet of flowers, Miss Alice Marcroft of Lawrence. The body was placed in the receiving tomb at Ridgwood cemetery. Her parents and one sister survive her. The bearers were Messrs. Joseph H. Stone, Geo. E. Hathorn, Frank W. Frisbee of town, and Lewis A. Foye of Lawrence. Funeral director, Mr. B. P. Saunders.

Resolutions upon the death of Miss Grace May Sanborn, by the Y. P. M. L. & S. Society.

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Great God and Father of all to call home to himself in the brightness of youth our cherished friend and associate, Grace May Sanborn, whose example has ever been to us an inspiration and incentive to whatever is noble and elevating; whose consistent Christian character, genial disposition and beautiful life has endeared her to us all; therefore be it

Resolved: That while we recognize the power and goodness of Him who doeth all things well, and while we bow submissively to this stern decree of His infinite Wisdom, yet we sincerely mourn the loss of our departed friend.

Resolved: That we offer our condolence to the bereaved family assuring them of our heartfelt sympathy in this darkest and deepest of all earthly sorrows.

Resolved: That these resolutions be embodied in our records and a copy of the same be forwarded to the family of our deceased associate.

FRANK W. FRISBEE, } Committee
HELEN E. ROACHE, } of the
ANDREW MCLEAN, } Society.
No. Andover, Dec. 19, 1888.

At the Odd Fellows' Fair, the ottoman was taken by Mr. Samuel Hooper of Lawrence, instead of by Mr. Preston, as announced. The silk quilt, No. 95, was taken by Mrs. A. B. Bixby; toilet set, (Stearns's) No. 138, by Mrs. C. A. Pilling; toilet set (Perkins's), No. 74, Herbert Platt, Lawrence; silver pitcher, No. 38, knife, fork, and steel, No. 60, slippers, No. 88, remain uncalled for.

Miss Lettie Blaisdell of Lynn is spending a brief vacation in town.

Odd Fellows' Fair.

The Odd Fellows' Hall proved inadequate to accommodate the gathering of people on the last evenings of the fair which has had a pleasant termination, and which, from a financial point of view, has been very remunerative. On Saturday evening the following prizes were awarded: Toy tea-set, Grace Downing, ticket No. 2; small doll given by Mrs. Chas. Robinson, Lillie Dow, ticket No. 11; cake given by Hon. A. B. Bruce, Robert Elliott, weight, 6 7-8 lbs., guess, 6 3-8 lbs.; cake given by Mrs. Lucy Prescott, Chas. Holt, weight 6 lbs. 3 oz., guess, 6 lbs. 1 oz.; doll given by Mrs. Horace Downing, taken by A. J. Abbott of Andover, number of beans in the bottle, 381, guess, 380. For the dinner set, given by Mrs. Geo. Greenwood, Mrs. E. S. Robinson collected \$50, Mrs. A. L. Fernandes \$12.50. Monday evening, Secretary J. H. Shedd, in behalf of the committee on prizes made the following announcements: Rug, presented by William Oswald & Co. of Lawrence, Walter Carter, No. 23; ottoman, J. D. Preston, No. 13; silk hat, Geo. H. Perkins, length of pole 9 ft. 5 3-16 in., guess 9 ft. 5 1-8 inches. Number of seeds in the squash, 397; Wm. A. Moulton and J. Morgan guessed 399, the prize being a barrel of flour. Suit of clothes, Frank Bixby had 254 votes, Roland Prescott 118, Harland Greenwood 98, Fred McInnes 34, Feed Carr 16. Parlor lamp, given by J. W. Richardson, Mr. Locke of Lawrence; hanging lamp, Mrs. H. F. Downing; skates, Albert Courrier had 55 votes, Frank Laing, 15, Thomas Jewett 15. Doll, given by Mrs. Markey, Alice F. Harris' guessed the right name, which was "Daisy"; gold ring, Geo. F. Holderness, Andover; flannel quilt, Mrs. John Lewis, ticket No. 183; barrel of apples given by Geo. L. Barker, number of apples in the barrel, 676, E. B. Downing guessed 701; box of cigars: number of shoe pegs in bottle, 1255, J. Somerville, James Kirk of Lawrence, and N. P. Abbott guessed 1250; apples given by H. Whittier, taken by Messrs. Bodney and Kimball; Holstein heifer, P. W. Hazelton, Lawrence, ticket No. 9; embroidered table cover, given by Byron Truell & Co., Lawrence, Mrs. James P. Markey, ticket No. 73; oil painting, Thomas McColliss, Andover; Gripp machine, John Herbert, 172 pounds, prize, nut picker and cracker; shooting contest, three bull's eyes in succession, George Philbrick, prize, revolver. Watch contest between members of police force: John Wilton, 1976; H. R. Smith, 1342; S. A. O'Brien, 1205; George Rextrow, 822; Cornelius Wall, 810. Horse-shoe foot rest given by George Laing, George A. Smith, ticket 242; toilet set given by C. S. Stearns, Mrs. C. A. Pilling, ticket No. 138.

Pollard's store is arranged for the Christmas trade.

The Grammar school teachers are each in turn assisting in the evening school.

Mr. Loring B. Rea has returned from the West.

High Mass will be celebrated at St. Michael's church, Christmas morning at 10 o'clock at which the music will be as follows:

Asperges, Brosgie
Kyrie, Millard
Gloria, Millard
Credo, Millard
Offertorium for Christmas, Bucher
Sanctus, Millard
Agnus Dei, Haydn
Dona Nobis, Millard
Adeste Fideles

DOMINE, ad-adjuvandum me, Schmid
Dixit, Est
Confitebor, "
Beatus, "
Laudate Pueri, Emmerich
Adeste Fideles, Schmid
Magnificat, "
Alma, "
O Salutaris, Clement
Tantum Ergo, Stearns

A sermon in commemoration of Forefathers' Day was preached at the Congregational church, Sunday, by Rev. H. H. Leavitt.

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SEASONABLE GOODS AT RIGHT PRICES.

Foot Wear,

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Flannels, Etc.

Andover and North Andover Centre.

A good order of music is in preparation for the Christmas service by Mr. A. D. Blanchard, organist and director of St. Paul's church.

Mr. Thomas Lancaster has invited the members of the Cricket Club to hold their New Year's supper at his home on Water St., New Year's eve.

Mr. Wallace Blackwood left town Thursday morning for Gardiner, Oregon.

The Officers of the N. A. Grange for the ensuing year were chosen on the evening of Dec. 17, as follows: Master, J. Henry Nason; overseer, George A. Rea; lecturer, Miss Lida F. Fuller; steward, Oscar Young; ass't steward, S. D. Berry; chaplain, S. Wm. Ingalls; treasurer, Walter H. Hayes; secretary, Miss Lizzie F. Ingalls; gate-keeper, Wallace R. Foster; Ceres, Mrs. G. L. Averill; Pomona, Mrs. L. H. Bassett; Flora, Mrs. George L. Burnham; L. A. S., Miss Minnie E. Foster; executive committee for three years, F. E. Nason. The next meeting will occur Wednesday evening, Dec. 26.

The officers will be installed Tuesday evening, Jan. 15.

The County Grange meets with the N. A. Grange, Thursday, Jan. 17.

Vacation in schools next week.

The members and friends of St. Paul's church and Sabbath school will hold a parish sociable and Christmas entertainment in Steven's Hall, Thursday evening, Dec. 27, at 7.30 o'clock.

The Lecture Course.

Editor of the Townsman:

Now that the Course of Lectures is over, it seems proper, since they were the people's lectures, to let the people know the results. But for the unfortunate accident of last Friday evening, the expenses would have been nearly met. It is demonstrated, then, that a course of at most four lectures could be supported here at the price of admission charged this season.

Thanks are due and hereby tendered to the correspondent of the American, who kindly furnished all the printing, to the Selectmen, those who purchased and gave away a number of tickets and to those who have offered direct financial aid.

MANAGERS OF THE COURSE.

No. Andover, Dec. 19.

BALLARDVALE

At a meeting of the old members of the Ballardvale Brass Band, of record 1871 to 1875, held in Engine Hall, Wednesday evening of last week, the following resolutions were passed, which are self-explanatory:

Voted. That all past members or citizens having in their possession music or property belonging to said band, or information of such, be requested to report the same to either of the following committee: Joseph Shaw, John Howell, H. M. Hayward.

Mr. Clemens Kintz has gone to Meriden, Conn. for the holidays.

As is her annual custom Miss Helen C. Bradlee has given \$100 to each of our three churches.

Several young fellows have formed a drum corps with a room in the little house lately used by John P. Morgan as a shooting gallery.

Who knows but what we may have a spur track from the Andover and Lawrence Horse R.R. in years to come? "This car for Baseball Park, Athletics vs. Chicago!"

An interesting missionary concert was held at the M. E. church, Sunday night.

Holiday Goods

NOW READY.

LADIES' AND GENTS'

Gold and Silver Watches,

Leather Goods, Pocket Books,

Purses, Card Cases, Bags,

Thermometers, Glass, Tin & Fancy Styles.

Come and Examine the

BOY'S WATCH.

WHITING

THE

JEWELLER.

While the death of Hon. N. J. Bradlee which occurred last Monday, will probably not be noticed by many, yet identified as he was with the interests of the village as one of the Trustees of the Bradlee estate, Ballardvale people have cause to join in the universal sorrow at his loss. The removal of a far-seeing, sagacious business man of his stamp from any enterprise, no matter how well founded, cannot fail to be felt.

The dam at Burt's mill over the Tewksbury line, was carried away by high water last Sunday afternoon. A turbine wheel was carried down stream some ways, and sawing will have to be suspended for a time at least. The river is seldom so high at this time of year.

The entertainment by the Boston Guitar Club, before known as the "Venetian Serenaders" Wednesday evening, drew a full house. The best features were Mr. Wilson's mandolin and banjo solos. Mr. Barker's playing was also good, but Mr. Stewart as a humorist is a dismal failure. It is a pity that the tone of a good entertainment should be lowered by the antics of a person who evidently graduated from a second-hand circus. Still the good music did much to counteract this feature.

Mr. P. W. Conway has been granted a pension, with arrears, amounting to a good sum. He went to Concord early this week to go through the final formalities.

The marriage of the popular station agent at Lowell Junction, Mr. Henry J. Gardner and Abbie E. Pearson of Boston, was solemnized in Boston yesterday. After a short trip to the eastward they will make their home in Boston for a period. It is hoped that they will in time settle down in Ballardvale.

The Union church S. S. will have a Christmas tree in Bradlee Hall, Monday evening. At the same time the Methodist children will be unloading the cargo from their boat. Concerts will be given at both churches Sunday evening. At St. Joseph's the usual Christmas exercises will take place.

The M. E. Society have brought out their annual Christmas greeting, *The Valley Herald*. It will pay you to read it through, but particularly the extension of High St. and Newspaper correspondents.

POETRY.

Christ Among Men.
BY DEAN STANLEY.

Where shall we find the Lord?
Where seek his face adored?
Is it a spot apart from men,
In deep sequestered den,
By Jordan's desert flood,
Or mountain solitude,
Or lonely mystic shrine,
That Heaven reveals the Life Divine?

What was the blest abode,
Where dwelt the Son of God?
Beside the busy shore,
Where thousands pressed the door,
Where town with hamlet vied,
Where eager traffic piled—
There with his calm design
Was wrought and taught the Life Divine.

What were the souls he sought?
What moved his inmost thought?
The friendless and the poor,
The woe none else could cure,
The grateful sinner's cry,
The heathen's heavenward sigh—
Each in his lot and line
Drew forth the Love and Life Divine.

Where did He rest the while
His most benignant smile?
The little children's charms,
That nestled in his arms,
The flowers that round Him grew,
The birds that o'er Him flew,
Were nature's sacred sign
To breathe the spell of Life Divine.

O Thou who once didst come!
In holy, happy home,
Teaching and doing good,
To bless our daily food;
Compassionating mind,
That grasped all human kind,
Even now amongst us shine,
True glory of the Life Divine.

SELECTIONS.

Mr. Grady's Thanksgiving Speech in Georgia.

A friend sends us a copy of the eloquent speech of Hon. H. W. Grady (editor of the *Atlanta Constitution*), delivered at the Augusta Exposition on Thanksgiving Day. Mr. Grady is a fine specimen of Southern eloquence and Southern patriotism, and the foremost advocate of the "New South"—but his patriotism shows the old Calhoun doctrine—his state first, the country second. The New South he would build recognizes the freedmen, but as inferiors and dependents. That makes a flaw in his logic as to the danger of having two parties in the South. He assumes that they can be influenced only by money—why not educate them, and then let that party gain the benefit of their ballots whose principles command their intelligent adherence? Two parties have not ruined the North! The closing extracts are specially significant.

Ladies and Gentlemen: This day is auspicious. Set apart by Governor and President for universal thanksgiving, our grateful hearts confirm the consecration. Though we have not been permitted to parade our democratic roosters in jubilant pride, we may now lead them from their innocuous disuette, and making them the basis of this day's feast, gather about them a company that in cordial grace shall be excelled by none—not even that which invests the republican turkey, whose steaming thighs shall be slipped to-day in Indianapolis, and attacking them with an appetite that comes from abundance, consign them to that digestion that waits on a conscience void of offense.

TWO DANGERS CONFRONT US.

The south is now confronted by two dangers.

First, that by remaining solid it will force a permanent sectional alignment under which being in minority, it has nothing to gain, and everything to lose.

Second, that by dividing, it will debauch its political system, destroy the defences of its social integrity, and put the balance of power in the hands of an ignorant and dangerous class.

Let us discuss these dangers for a moment.

As to the first. I do not doubt that every day the south remains solid, the drift toward a solid north is deepening. The south is solid now in a sense not dreamed of in anti-bellum days. Then we divided on every question save one, that of preserving equal representation in the senate. Clay championed the protective tariff. Jackson flew at Calhoun's throat when Carolina threatened to nullify. Polk, of Tennessee, was made president over Clay of Kentucky. In 1852, Pierce received the vote of twenty-seven states out of thirty-one, though this period marked the height of slavery dis-

turbance. The south was solid then on one thing alone. On all other questions national suffrage knew no sectional lines. To-day the south is a mass of states merged into one. Every issue fused in the ardor of one great question, and our 153 electoral votes hurled as a rifle ball into the electoral college. The tendency of this must be to solidify the north. Indeed, this is already being done. Seymour and Blair, in 1868, on a platform declaring the amendments null and void, were beaten in the north by Grant, the hero of the war, by less than 100,000 votes. Mr. Harrison, twenty years later, beat Cleveland with a flawless record and a careful platform, over 450,000 votes in the northern states. The solid south invites the solid north. From this status the south has little to hope. The north is already in the majority. More than five million immigrants have poured into her states in the past ten years, and will be declared in the next census. Four new states will give her eight new senators, and twelve electoral votes. In the south but one state has kept pace with the west and that one, Texas, has largely gained at the expense of the Atlantic states. The south had thirty-eight per cent. of the electoral vote in 1880. It is doubtful if she will have over twenty-five per cent. in 1890. To remain solid therefore is to incur the danger of being placed in perpetual minority, and practically shut out from participation in the government, into which Georgia and Massachusetts came as equals—that was fashioned in their common wisdom—defended in their common blood, and bought of their common treasure.

But what of the other danger? Can we risk that to avoid the first? I am sure we cannot. The very worst thing that could happen to the South is to have her white vote divided into factions, and each faction bidding for the negro who holds the balance of power. What is this negro vote? In every southern state it is considerable, and I fear it is increasing. It is alien, being separated by racial differences that are deep and permanent. It is ignorant—easily deluded or betrayed.

Let the whites divide, what happens? Here is this dangerous and alien influence that holds the balance of power. It cannot be won by argument, for it is without information, understanding or traditions—hence without convictions. It must be bought by race privileges granted as such, or by money paid outright. Let us follow this in its two-fold aspect. One faction gives the negro certain privileges, and wins. The other offers more. The first bids under, and so the sickening work goes on until the barriers that now protect the social integrity and peace of both races are swept away. The negro gains nothing, for he secures these spoils and privileges not by deserving them, or qualifying himself for them, but as the plunder of an irritating struggle in which he loses that largeness of sympathy and tolerance, that is at last essential to his well being and advancement. The other aspect is as bad. One side puts up five thousand dollars for the purchase of the negro vote, and wins. The other, declining at first to corrupt the suffrage, but realizing at last that the administration on which its life and property depends is at stake, doubles this, and so the debauching deepens until at last such enormous sums are spent that they must be recouped from the public treasuries. Good men, disgusted, go to the rear. The shrewd and unscrupulous are put to the front, and the negro carrying with him the balance of power falls at last into the grasp of the faction which is most cunning and conscienceless. National parties finding here their cheapest market and widest field, will pour millions into the south, adding to the corruption funds of municipal and state factions until the ballot-box will be hopelessly debauched, all the approaches thereto corrupt, and all the results therefrom tainted. I understand perfectly that this is not the largest view of this question to take. The larger interests of this section and of the union do not rest here. I deplore this fact. I would that the south, fettered by no circumstances and embarrassed by no problem, could take her place by the side of her sister states, making alliance as her interest or patriotism suggested.

LOYALTY TO THE UNION.

Let me say here that I yield to no man in my love for this union. I was taught

from my cradle to love it, and my father loving it to the last, nevertheless gave his life for Georgia when she asked it at his hands. Loving the union as he did, yet would I do unto Georgia even as he did. I said once in New York, and I repeat it here, honoring his memory as I do nothing else on this earth, I still thank God that the American conflict was adjudged by higher wisdom than his or mine, that the honest purposes of the south were crossed, her brave armies beaten, and the American union saved from the storm of war. I love this union because I am an American citizen. I love it because it stands in the light while other nations are groping in the dark. I love it because here in this republic of homogenous people must be worked out the great problems that perplex the world, and established the axioms that must uplift and regenerate humanity. I love it because it is my country, and my state stood by when its flag was first unfurled, and uplifted her stainless sword, and pledged "her life, her property and her sacred honor," and when the last star glittered from its silken folds, and with her precious blood wrote her loyalty in its crimson bars. I love it because I know that its flag fluttering from the misty heights of the future, followed by a devoted people once estranged and thereby closer bound, shall blaze out the way, and make clear the path up which all the nations of the earth shall come in God's appointed time.

CONFIDENCE IN THE NORTH.

I do not believe the people of the north will be committed to a violent policy. I believe in the good faith and fair play of the American people. These noisy insects of the hour will perish with the heat that warmed them into life, and when their pestilent cries have ceased, the great clock of the republic will strike the slow-moving and tranquil hours, and the watchmen from the streets will cry, "All's well—all's well!" [Great cheers.] I thank God that through the mists of passion that already cloud our northern horizon comes the clear, strong voice of President Harrison declaring that the south shall not suffer, but shall prosper, in his election. Happy will it be for us—happy for this country, and happy for his name and fame, if he has the courage to withstand the demagogues who clamor for our crucifixion, and the wisdom to establish a path in which voters of all parties and of all sections may walk together in peace and prosperity.

The Book Agent's Last Appeal.

"If you would like to say a few words before we string you up," said the spokesman of the vigilance committee sternly, "you may have the chance."

"There is something I would like to say," responded the condemned horse thief, pale but self-possessed. "All I ask is that you will permit me to say it without interruption."

"Go ahead," said the spokesman, laconically. "We'll let you finish."

"Then, gentlemen," began the condemned man with deep emotion, "I have a few words of solemn warning to utter. In the happy and innocent days of my young manhood, before I came to Arizona and fell into evil ways, I was engaged in a useful and honorable calling. Had I never abandoned it I might have been still a respectable citizen. Though I have become a bad man and about to receive my just punishment, I have always kept a memento of those happier days. In my valise, gentlemen, you will find a copy of a little work entitled *The American Voter's Text Book*, of which I sold nearly 1000 copies in one county in Pennsylvania alone. It is indispensable to every man who would keep himself thoroughly informed as to those questions concerning which it is the duty of every citizen to be fully advised. You will find in that little volume, gentlemen, full and accurate information as to the political platforms of all the parties, election returns from every state in the Union, names of members of Congress, judges of the various courts, etc., with a mass of miscellaneous statistics and facts never before grouped together in one work. Bound in cloth or half-calf; the price of this valuable book has always been—"

He paused a moment to wipe the tears from his eyes. When he looked about him again his audience had vanished. He was saved!

What to give and how to give.

The following suggestions from the *Youth's Companion* are very timely. We confess to a little doubt as to the special acceptability of a "shabby old stove" as a Christmas present, but the "old gentleman in Maine" certainly had the right principle, and perhaps he paid "E. Pike," or some one of his craft, another dollar or two to make it "as good as new," before he dropped it down the chimney!

Christmas comes at a time of year when poverty is most biting and most desolate. Happily, it comes before the severest weather of winter, when well-considered charity is most effectual and goes farthest. A good barrel of flour, stowed snugly away in the corner of a widow's pantry about three o'clock in the afternoon on the 24th of December, will keep a small family from being very hungry until early spring, particularly if it is supplemented by a barrel of meal and a big bag of potatoes. This is also the time of year when something solid and staunch in the way of a shawl, or an overcoat, or a pair of blankets warms the soul and body of a person who has acquired a relish for comfort by shivering through November and December half-clad.

There was an old gentleman in Maine who had an original taste in Christmas gifts. He observed that nothing was so likely to go for a song at a spring auction as the shabby old stove which had been the family's best friend during the long winter. He often made the only bid, and so would frequently buy a very serviceable stove for about its value as old iron. Then about Christmas-time, or before, as he went his rounds among poor families, he ascertained the precise spots where an old stove would do the most good, and he distributed his goods accordingly.

Reader, unless you have been yourself very poor, or unless nature has endowed you with a sympathetic imagination of great power, you can form no idea of the difference made in an impoverished home by putting into it a good stove in place of a bad stove. The kind old collector knew it, felt it, realized it, and thus was often enabled by an expenditure of a dollar or two to give seven months' comfort to a deserving family.

Giving gifts is a beautiful but difficult art. The fullest purse may fail in it; the leanest may make the loveliest hits. It is an art that requires thought, knowledge, experience, and these guided and inspired by good-nature. Though the poor we have always with us, yet Christmas, by the common consent of Christendom, is the season when the gift of giving gifts should be universally exercised.

SOME YULE-TIDE DON'T'S.

Don't put R. S. V. P. on your present to your rich uncle.

Don't misspell the word "presence" in the invitations to your Christmas party.

Don't hang up more than three pairs of stockings if you are visiting friends in the country.

Don't eat two mince-pies, a plum-pudding, lobster salad, and ice-cream, and then complain that the climate does not agree with you.

Don't impersonate Santa Claus in a seal-skin sacque, rubber boots, and auburn side-whiskers.

Don't give your guest who has overstaid his welcome a travelling bag.

Don't send the unrecipited bill for her present to your fiancée in mistake for a Christmas card.

Don't decline a present simply because the expressage or postage has not been prepaid.

Don't attribute your bonbon headache to the drum your enemy sent your son.

Don't borrow money from your friend to pay for his present.

Don't present your wife with a handsome mahogany cigar-box; and

Don't expect your husband to be pleased if you give him an ivory backed hand-mirror.

SOMETHING USEFUL.

"Have you decided on your presents for the boys yet, my dear?" asked Mr. Hendricks, after the lads had left the breakfast-table for school.

"Not quite all. But I have decided, William, that they shall be given something useful. There is no use of wasting money on useless toys for them to break—and by-the-way, we need a new rug for the parlor, and a dozen tumblers, William."

"Ah! Well, why not get the rug for George, and give the tumblers to John?"

—*Harpers Magazine.*

BOOKS AND READING.

The Andover Review for December closes the tenth volume, and has a general index for all the volumes, as well as for the tenth. This number contains papers on Classic and Semitic Ethics, by Dr. Andrew P. Peabody; Christianity and Tragedy, by Prof. Bliss Perry of Williams-town; Contemporary Jewish Fiction, by Mr. Bernhard Berenson, a Russian by birth but a graduate of Harvard College, now studying in Europe; Marriage and Divorce in the United States, by Walter S. Collins. The Editorial Department contains Additional Documents in the case of Mr. W. H. Noyes and discusses the case at length. Other editorials are on The Public Schools and Roman Catholics, and Educational Notes on The Tyranny of Method and Opposition to Technical Education. Professors Moore, Taylor, and Hincks, and Mr. Starbuck contribute Book Notices. A Prospectus of the next volume, among other announcements, mentions that Rev. F. H. Johnson of Andover is to contribute a series of articles on "What is Reality? a study of our higher beliefs as related to the necessary beliefs of our practical experience." [Houghton, Mifflin and Co., Boston; \$4 a year.]

Lead a Hand, Dr. Edward Everett Hales's *Magazine of Organized Philanthropy*, has in its December number the usual amount of readable reading along the line of its broad and important specialty. Articles on Difficulties in Trade, Illegitimate Heirship, Schools in Summer, Wages in Time and Wages in Money (Dr. A. P. Peabody), one of general interest. Bread and Cake, Hotel Living, Christmas Music, are suggestive papers sugar-coated in story form. This is the last number of Vol. III, and suggests to any body who wants to know the value of "organized philanthropy" that "now is the time to subscribe." [Lead a Hand Company, 3 Hamilton Place, Boston; \$2 a year.]

Babyland, 1889.

This is the one magazine in the world that combines the best amusement for Babies, and the best help for Mothers.

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The Pansy for 1889.

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Pansy's New Serial will run throughout the year and is entitled *The Way Out*.

Pansy will also continue her Golden Text Stories.

Margaret Sidney has a serial story entitled *Koo: A story for Boys*. It is full of the adventures, frolics, and ambitions of a wide-awake boy.

Mrs. C. M. Livingstone has tales of child-life and child-ways, in a new department, *Baby's Corner*.

The Bible Band Readings, The Queer Story column, and the P. S. Corner will all be continued.

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SUNDAY NEWS AND NOTES.

Church Services.

SOUTH CHURCH.—Organized 1711. Rev. J. J. Blair, pastor. Morning service, 10.30; evening, 7.15; Christian Endeavor meeting, 8; Wednesday evening, 7.30; Supt. of Sunday School, John Alden. Sexton, Oliver W. Vennard, Central St.

WEST CHURCH.—Organized 1826. Rev. Frederick W. Greene, pastor. Morning service, 10.30; evening, 7; at Osgood school-house, 7; Friday evening, 7.30; Christian Endeavor, Wednesday evening. Supt. of Sunday School, Fred. S. Boutwell. Sexton, Daniel W. Trow.

FREE CHRISTIAN CHURCH.—Organized 1846. Rev. F. B. Makepeace, pastor. Morning service, 10.30; evening, 7; Christian Endeavor, 6.15; Wednesday evening, 7.45. Supt. of Sunday School, the Pastor. Sexton, Stillman H. Harnden, Essex St.

SEMINARY CHURCH.—Organized 1865. Professors of Theological Seminary, pastors. Morning service, 10.30; afternoon, 3; Wednesday evening, 7. Supt. of Sunday School, Prof. D. Y. Comstock. Sexton, F. M. Hill.

CHRIST CHURCH.—Organized 1835. Rev. Frederic Palmer, rector. Morning service 10.30; evening, 7.15. Sexton, Geo. O. Hill, Summer St.

CHURCH OF ST. AUGUSTINE.—Organized 1852. Rev. J. J. Ryan, pastor. Holy Communion, 8; High Mass and sermon, 10.45; Vespers 3.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Organized 1858. Rev. J. V. Stratton, pastor. Morning service, 10.30 evening, 7; Wednesday evening, 7.30. Supt. of Sunday School, Chas. N. L. Stone. Sexton, Henry A. Hill.

UNION CHURCH, Ballardvale.—Organized 1854. Rev. G. S. Butler, pastor. Morning service, 10.30; evening, 6; Christian Endeavor, 5.15. Supt. of Sunday school, C. H. Marland.

A mild, beautiful winter day was last Sabbath. Prof. John Phelps Taylor preached at the Old South church, in the morning upon "Man's Judgment a trifling thing compared with God's Judgment"; in the evening upon "The Holy Spirit a Spirit a Spirit of Hope."

At Christ church Rev. Frederic Palmer preached upon the windows in the chancel of the church, illustrative of the life of John the Baptist; the text being Matt. xi. 11. In the evening, he preached on the results of modern Biblical criticism; the chief results mentioned being the change from regarding the Bible as all one book to regarding it as a literature; the recognition that the Bible is written not in scientific, but in literary language; the finding of the authority of the Bible in its spirit, rather than in proof-texts; and the recognition in it of a development of doctrine.

Rev. J. M. Stratton, at the Baptist church, preached from Gal. 5: 11—"the offence of the cross." The evening address was upon the seed which is the word.

At the Free church, Prof. G. Frederic Wright, D.D., of Oberlin, former pastor, preached from Rom. 1: 16, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ."

In the evening, he gave an account of his observations of the missionary work in Alaska.

Rev. E. A. Chase of South Lawrence preached at the West church. His text was 2 Sam. 13: 33—David's lament over Absalom—from which he drew valuable lessons both for old and young. He prefaced his sermon with an interesting five-minute address to the children on character-building. Rev. Mr. Greene spoke in the evening at the Osgood school-house from Gen. 2: 15—Spiritual Farming.

Dr. Judson Smith, one of the Secretaries of the A. B. C. F. M., preached at the Seminary church a missionary sermon from Acts 16: 9, "Come over and help us." He spoke of the relation of missions to the idea and aim of the Christian church, of the motives which inspire and sustain missions, and of the persons to whom these motives may appeal. In the afternoon he gave a description of the great missionary conference which he attended in London last June.

Prof. Tucker preached at Salem, Prof. Harris at Providence, and Prof. Moore at Haverhill.

Seminary students supplied the following churches last Sabbath: E. H. Chandler, Dunbarton, N. H.; A. H. Ames, Shirley; G. B. Kamboropolis, Hebron, N. H.; G. F. Kenngott, East Andover, N. H.; F. B. Noyes, Compton, N. H.; L. Willcox, West Hartford, Vt.; E. G. Lancaster, Ashby; A. Beede, Greenwood; S. W. Brown, Medway; W. W. Campbell, Tamworth, N. H.; W. Rader, Rochester, N. H.; E. J. Klock, Alton, N. H.; C. A. Bergstrom, East Greenwich, R. I.; F. E. Ramsdell, Claremont, N. H.

Rev. John W. Chickering, well known to church people in this region, and to many others for his long and efficient service as Secretary of the Congressional Temperance Society, died suddenly at Brooklyn, on Sunday, the 9th, at the age of 80 years. He was a native of Woburn, was in Phillips Academy in 1817 when nine years old, and a graduate of the Theological Seminary in 1829. He was five years pastor of the famous Hillside church in Bolton, and thirty years in Portland. Of his early Andover study, he wrote: "It was in the time of Preceptor Adams and assistant Jasper Adams, in the old wooden building, near the present library. Dr. Amos Blanchard was a classmate." Until the death of his wife, a few years ago, he had a summer house in Wakefield, but later wrote from Washington, "My only home, now, is here." He was on his way thither when summoned to his heavenly home.

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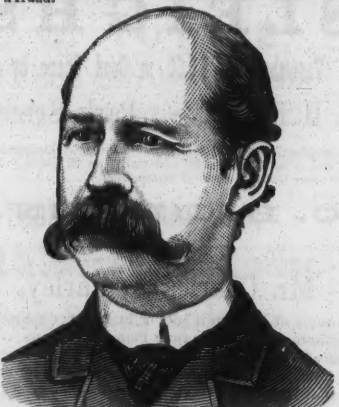
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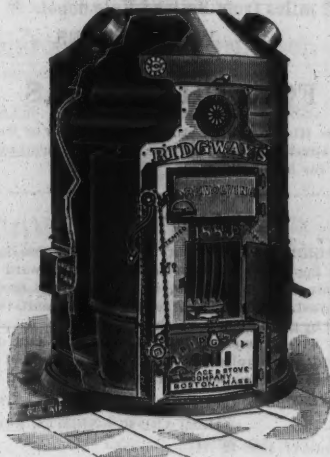
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BOSTON TO ANDOVER. A. M. 6.00 acc. arrive in Andover, 7.02; 7.30 acc. ar. 8.23; 9.30 acc. ar. 10.24; 10.25 acc. ar. 11.30. P. M. 12.00 ex. ar. 12.02; 12.30 ar. 1.09; 2.15 ex. ar. 3.00; 2.30 acc. ar. 3.42; 3.20 ex. ar. 4.05; 4.02 acc. ar. 5.00; 5.00 ex. ar. 5.45; 6.00 ex. ar. 6.47; 6.35 acc. ar. 7.31; 7.00 acc. ar. 7.53; 11.00 ex. ar. 11.45. SUNDAY: A. M. 8.00 acc. ar. 9.06; P. M. 5.00 acc. ar. 6.14; 6.00 ex. ar. 6.47; 7.00 acc. ar. 8.02.

ANDOVER TO LOWELL. A. M. 7.46 arrive in Lowell 8.32; 8.33 ar. 9.00; 9.51 ar. 10.24; 10.35 ar. 11.00; 11.10 ar. 11.30. P. M. 12.26 ar. 1.03; 1.40 ar. 2.45; 2.44 ar. 3.12; 3.18 ar. 3.45; 4.25 ar. 5.05; 5.50 ar. 6.15; 7.09 ar. 7.43; 9.39 ar. 10.10. SUNDAY: A. M. 7.49 ar. 8.13; 8.33 ar. 9.18. P. M. 12.20 ar. 12.50; 4.32 ar. 5.00; 5.58 ar. 6.25; 7.51 ar. 8.20.

LOWELL TO ANDOVER. A. M. 7.35 ar. in Andover 8.23; 8.35 ar. 9.00; 9.30 ar. 10.24; 11.00 ar. 11.30. P. M. 12.15 ar. 12.10; 1.00 ar. 1.25; 3.00 ar. 3.40; 3.40 ar. 4.05; 5.10 ar. 5.45; 6.15 ar. 6.47; 6.55 ar. 7.31; 11.10 ar. 11.45. SUNDAY: 8.20 ar. 9.06. P. M. 5.35 ar. 6.14; 7.30 ar. 8.02.

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LAWRENCE TO ANDOVER. A. M. 6.40, 7.30, 7.55, 8.20, 9.35, 9.40, 10.20, 11.00. P. M. 12.15, 12.17, 1.00, 1.25, 2.35, 3.00, 4.15, 5.40, 7.02, 7.05, 9.30. SUNDAY: 7.40, 8.15. P. M. 12.10, 4.25, 5.35, 7.44.

*From South side.

ANDOVER TO SALEM. A. M. 7.25 arrive in Salem 8.30. P. M. 12.53 ar. 2.03; 5.45 ar. 6.55.

SALEM TO ANDOVER. A. M. 7.00 arrive in Andover, 8.33; 11.32 ar. 1.35. P. M. 4.43 ar. 5.50; 6.00 ar. 7.12. Via Wakefield Junction, 10.35 ar. 11.30; 1.55 ar. 3.00.

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ANDOVER NEWS.

Special Notices.

Sunday: Mr. E. H. Chandler of the Seminary, will preach at the Free church.

Prof. Ryder will preach at the Seminary church; no afternoon service.

Gospel Temperance meeting at lower Town Hall, 4 P. M.

Monday: Christ church S. S. Festival and Christmas Tree, 6 P. M.; see notice on page 4.

Tuesday: Christmas service at Christ church, 10.30 A. M.

Thursday: Evening drawing school in Parish House of Christ church, 7 o'clock.

BIRTHS.

In Ballardvale, Dec. 17, a son to Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Clark.

In Ballardvale, Dec. 18, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Albert T. Clark.

In North Andover, Dec. 16, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. William P. Downes.

MARRIAGES.

In Boston, Dec. 20, by Rev. Emery J. Haynes, Henry J. Gardner of Ballardvale and Abbie E. Pearson of Boston.

DEATHS.

In North Andover, Dec. 16, of consumption, Miss Grace May Sanborn, aged 24 years.

Advertised Letters, Dec. 20, 1888.

Persons calling will please give the date of this list.

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| Blanchard, Mr. | Landry, A. |
| Bywater, B. | Livingston, W. |
| Derban, G. | McGovern, J. E. |
| Driscoll, Mary | McKenzie, J. E. |
| Duffey, Barney | Mullen, Hannah |
| Fitzgerald, Thos. | Richardson, D. C. |
| Gale, Robert | Shea, Nellie |
| Gaslight Co. | Sullivan, Ellen |
| Holt, Chas. | Tray, M. |
| Kimball, Chas. | Thompson, Emma |

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To the Heirs-at-Law and others interested in the Estate of Lucretia Richardson, late of Andover, in said County, widow, deceased, intestate.

GREETING:

Whereas, Peter D. Smith, the administrator of the estate of said deceased has presented for allowance the first account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be holden at Lawrence, in said county, on the second Monday of January, next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed. And the said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once a week, in the ANDOVER TOWNSMAN, a newspaper printed at Andover, three weeks successively, the last publication to be two days at least before said Court.

Witness, ROLLIN E. HARMON, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of December, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty-eight.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

Andover National Bank

At Andover, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, December 12, 1888.

RESOURCES.

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| Loans and Discounts, | \$345,824.13 |
| Overdrafts,—secured and unsecured | .36 |
| U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, | 200,000.00 |
| U. S. Bonds on hand, | 5,000.00 |
| Due from approved reserve agents, | 38,629.65 |
| Real estate, furniture, and fixtures, | 9,600.00 |
| Current expenses and taxes paid, | 506.75 |
| Checks and other cash items, | 3,350.75 |
| Bills of other Banks, | 11,464.00 |
| Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents, | 82.03 |
| Specie, | 6,516.30 |
| Legal-tender notes, | 5,000.00 |
| Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation), | 9,000.00 |
| Total, | \$634,974.87 |

LIABILITIES.

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| Capital stock paid in, | \$250,000.00 |
| Surplus fund, | 54,000.00 |
| Undivided profits, | 13,417.00 |
| National Bank notes outstanding, | 178,934.00 |
| Dividends unpaid, | 217.00 |
| Individual deposits subject to check, | 127,309.92 |
| Demand certificates of deposit, | 10,017.63 |
| Due to other National Banks, | 1,079.32 |
| Total, | \$634,974.87 |

State of MASSACHUSETTS, County of ESSEX, ss:
I, Moses Foster, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MOSES FOSTER, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of December, 1888.

GEORGE W. FOSTER, Notary Public.

CORRECT,—Attest:

EDWARD TAYLOR,
JOHN F. KIMBALL,
JOS. A. SMART, } Directors.

J. H. Campion & Co.,

NUTS, FRUIT, CANDY.

NUTS.

Almond, English Walnuts, American Walnuts, Castanas, Filberts, Pecans, good mixed, 10 cents per pound, 3 pounds for 25 cents; Choice Mixed, 15 cents per pound, 2 pounds for 25 cents.

ORANGES.

Messenia, Jamaica and Florida, 15, 20, 25 and 35 cents per dozen. India River Floridas, 40 cents per dozen.

CANDY, ETC.

Pure Broken, 15 cents per pound, 2 for 25 cents. Champion Mixed, 20 cents per pound, 3 for 50 cents. New Figs, 10, 15 and 20 cents per pound. Preserved Ginger, 25 cents per pound. Dried Ginger, 40 cents per pound.

California Preserved Cherries and Assorted Fruits.

CHOICE GROCERIES.

Maynards Climax Coffee, Light of Formosa Oolong Tea, Fine Creamery Butter.
Pure extract of Witch Hazel, 40 cents per bottle. Beef Wine and Iron, 60 cents per bottle, 3 bottles for \$2.00.

Public Carriage NOTICE!

On and after Jan. 1, 1889, orders will be taken from the slate at the Mansion House for trains leaving Andover at 8.33, 9.47, 12.26, 4.05 and 7.00. Orders must be left half an hour before departure of trains (week days only). All other orders must be left at my office, Elm House Stable, until further notice. Carriage will be at the station on arrival of all trains from 7.02 A. M. to 7.52 P. M. week days only.

S. G. BEAN, Proprietor.

Cows for Sale!

Three Choice New Milch Cows for Sale.

E. W. CREENE,

North Andover, Dec. 18, 1888.

Tenement House

In Andover,

FOR SALE!

The large Tenement House, owned by the Andover National Bank, situated on Central Street, directly opposite the store of T. A. Holt & Co., is offered for sale. The same to be removed previous to April 1, 1889. Can be examined at any time.

ANDOVER NATIONAL BANK,

BY MOSES FOSTER, CASHIER.

Andover, Nov. 28, 1888.

FOR SALE.

Sixty Acres of valuable Wood Land belonging to the Estate of the late Hiram W. French, known as the Dascomb Lot, and Stow Lot, situated in Andover about 1 1/2 miles from Ballard Vale depot.

Wm. S. JENKINS.

FOR CHRISTMAS

Mrs. Hill has at her studio on the corner of Main and Green Streets, paintings, large and small, suitable for holiday gifts.

NOTICE

IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed Executor of the will of Edward F. Abbott, late of Andover, in the County of Essex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bonds, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

EDWARD R. KNIGHTS, EXEC.

Andover, Dec. 12, 1888.

WANTED.

An unmarried American man who can come well recommended as to character and ability to work on a small farm in Andover Mass., where he will have full charge. To such a permanent situation will be given.

GEO. W. HARNSEN,
LYNN MASS

ANDOVER NATIONAL BANK.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Andover National Bank, will be held at their Banking Room, on Tuesday, the 8th. day of January, 1889, at 3 o'clock P. M. for the choice of Directors and to transact any other business that may legally come before them.

MOSES FOSTER,
CASHIER.

Andover, Dec. 6, 1888.

PLACES WANTED.

For a large number of Americans, Nova Scotia, Scotch, English, and Irish help, now waiting for situations. All first class, with good references. Call at the City Employment Bureau 439 Essex St., Lawrence. The oldest and largest office in the city.

Mrs. GOODENOW.

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NOVELTIES FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

Choice Stationery in plush and fancy boxes.

Hand painted cards.

Toilet and Manicure sets, ivory and oxidized.

Hand Mirrors and Brushes, oxidized backs.

Tarrant's and Bailey's perfumes and sachet Powders.

Feather Dusters.

Boxes of fine confectionery.

Hand-bags, Valises and Trunks.

Fine line of Blankets, Rugs and Carpets.

Large line of Crockery and Glass-ware.

Fancy after-dinner Coffees.

Bone plates and Oat Meal dishes (decorated).

Water and Lemonade sets.

Ladies' and Gents' linen hem-stitched handkerchiefs.

Pure Silk Mufflers.

Cashmere and Kid gloves of fine quality.

Embroidery and Spool Cottons in fancy boxes.

Writing tablets and Pocket books.

Traveling cases.

Fancy Baskets in all shapes and sizes.

Celebrated Pearl Shirts, white and colored, laundered and unlaundered.

Ladies' Cardigan Jackets.

Collar and Cuff cases.

Cutlery and Fancy Vases.

Lamps and Toilet sets.

Dinner and Tea sets.

Mustache cups and saucers.

Usual Assortment of Fancy Groceries and Fruits.

NUTS, DATES, ORANGES, GRAPES.

RAISINS, FIGS, BANANAS, LEMONS.

BEEK & FREAN'S

WAFERS,

Fancy Crackers.

CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S

PICKLES.

Iced and Canned Fruits.

Dutch and Pineapple

CHEESE.

Canned Vegetables.

California Fruits

SMITH & MANNING.

Miss. JENNIE B. LADD,

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References:

Mr. Bernhard Listemann,
Mr. Wolfe Fries, Boston.
Mr. J. W. Hill, New England Conservatory.

Miss. Ladd will be at Mrs. Frederic Palmer's, No. 25 Central St. Andover, Monday's between 11 & 12 o'clock.

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Sleighs painted and varnished cheap. Depends on the condition of the old paint as to price. We use none but the best of varnishes.

C. H. BREEN.

Mr. Charles A. Farley,

Formerly of this town will be in Andover quarterly beginning Dec. 1st, to tune Pianos or Organs. He will also sell or exchange the Ivers & Pond and S. G. Chickering Pianos on easy payments. Order book at the TOWNSMAN OFFICE.

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